

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Baby carrier permitting a baby to be carried next to an adult, comprising a harness ~~(3)~~ and a carrying part ~~(1)~~ forming a seat for a baby, and comprising a part forming the back of the seat ~~(13)~~, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said part which forms the back of the seat ~~(13)~~ has at least two portions ~~(12)~~ that can be moved away from or closer to one another, so that the width of the said back part ~~(13)~~ can be adjusted, the said portions ~~(12)~~ being separated by a cut-out ~~(14)~~ running along its longitudinal axis, on at least the majority of the length of the said part forming the back of the seat ~~(13)~~, at least one strip of fabric ~~(15)~~, made of a different material from that of the said back of the seat and which allows air to circulate, connecting the said portions ~~(12)~~, so as to permit ventilation and prevent the said cut out ~~(14)~~ from moving beyond a maximum width.

2. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of claim 1, ~~characterised in that it comprises~~ and further comprising means of adjusting the opening of the said cut out ~~(14)~~.

3. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of claim 2, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said means of adjustment comprise at least one cord ~~(2)~~ running between the edges of the said cut out ~~(14)~~.

4. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of claim 3, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said cord(s) ~~(2)~~ pass through a number of guide elements ~~(21)~~ provided for this purpose on the edges of the said cut out ~~(14)~~ or close to it, forming a lacing system.

5. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the means of adjustment comprise means of attachment belonging to the following group:

- self-adhesive strips;
- press studs
- zips

- buttons.

6. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that it comprises and further comprising~~ additional limiting means which prevent the distance between the said portions ~~(12)~~ from exceeding a maximum distance.

7. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of claim 6, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said limiting means comprise at least a cord ~~(2)~~ running between the edges of the said cut out ~~(14)~~ and whose ends are fixed.

8. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 7~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said strip(s) of fabric ~~(15)~~ has/have 3D mesh.

9. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 8~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that it comprises and further comprising~~ at least two strips of fabric running laterally.

10. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 9~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said strip(s) of fabric is/are made of an elastic fabric.

11. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 10~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said harness ~~(3)~~ and the said carrying part ~~(1)~~ can be separated.

12. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 1 to 11~~claim 1, ~~characterised in that the~~ wherein said harness ~~(3)~~ has two straps ~~(30)~~, whose front sections, against which the seat ~~(1)~~ rests, each include a reinforcement ~~(31)~~ equipped with attachment means ~~(311), (312)~~, allowing them to be attached to one another.

13. (Currently amended) Baby carrier of ~~any of claims 11 to 12~~claim 11, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the reinforcements ~~(31)~~ carry attachment means ~~(313) (314)~~, of the said carrying part.

14. (Currently amended) Carrying part designed to equip a baby carrier according to ~~any of claims 1 to 13~~claim 1.